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Israeli Invasion of Lebanon

Military Situation -- Israeli forces moved into southern Lebanon along three axes: the coast, the central sector and the "Fatahland" area, the IDF spokesman announced on 6 June in a statement reported by Jerusalem radio. Citing Israeli Prime Minister Menahem Begin, the radio said the "Peace of Galilee Operation" is aimed at driving the terrorists 40 km northward to a line above Sidon.

Early on 7 June, the IDF spokesman announced that an IDF infantry force had captured Beaufort Castle during the night, according to Jerusalem radio. However, a Palestinian source claimed Palestinian fedayeen are continuing to defend the castle, Monte Carlo radio reported. Meanwhile, Beirut radio said that despite fierce opposition, Israeli forces entered An-Nabatiyah early on 7 June. Voice of Lebanon radio subsequently reported that the IDF had taken control of the town. Beirut radio also said the Israelis had entered the outskirts of Sidon. Earlier, Monte Carlo radio had noted that the numerous Israeli air and sea-born assaults had included landings at the Awwali bridge north of Sidon and at Az-Zahrani to the south. This followed heavy air attacks on Sidon and the Az-Zahrani refinery as well as on numerous other targets in southern Lebanon, according to Jerusalem radio. By 7 June Israeli troops had generally penetrated around 40 km into Lebanon and had also landed as far north as As-Sa'idiyah, 25 km from Beirut, according to AFP. The Voice of Lebanon said the IDF had destoryed 80 Palestinian posts in the war zone. Meanwhile, VOP claimed that the Palestinians repulsed the Israeli forces in Tyre early on 7 June. However, Voice of Lebanon reported earlier that the situation of the Palestinians in Tyre had become critical due to encirclement by Israeli forces. One hundred Israeli tanks spearheaded the Israeli drive toward Tyre on 6 June, according to Beirut radio.

WAFA claimed on 6 June that the invading forces, which comprise more than 20,000 men, had lost 42 tanks and military vehicles, 2 fighter planes, 2 helicopters, and over 200 men killed, wounded or captured. The IDF spokesman admitted that one Israeli plane and one helicopter had been downed, IDF radio noted.

In the eastern sector the IDF captured Hasbayya, bringing Israeli forces into close proximity with Syrian forces that had advanced to 4 km north of the town, according to Jerusalem radio. Syrian armored forces have also moved toward Israeli positions around An-Nabatiyah, Beirut radio reported on 7 June. Although an Israeli Cabinet statement reported by IDF radio stressed that Syrian forces would not be attacked unless they intervened against the IDF and that Israel has no intention of acting against the Syrians in the Golan or Lebanon, a Syrian military spokesman announced on 6 June that Syrian forces in Lebanon had been instructed to confront the advancing Israeli forces. According to the Syrian announcement, which was carried by Damascus radio, Syrian forces began to clash with the Israelis during the afternoon in Al Jarmaq, Burghuth and at the Hasbayya junction. Citing correspondents in the Al-Biqa' Valley, AFP said the Israelis and Syrians began artillery exchanges in the central and eastern sectors early on 7 June. The previous day, two Syrian armored brigades had moved toward Al-'Ayshiyah in the central sector, according to the Voice of Lebanon. In a statement reported by IDF radio, the IDF spokesman denied a Voice of Lebanon report that a Syrian-Israeli aerial dogfight occurred over the Al-Biqa' Valley early on 7 June. However, a Syrian military spokesman said Syrian planes shot down an Israeli aircraft in a dogfight over Lebanon early on 7 June, according to the clandestine Voice of Palestine radio. The previous day a Syrian military spokesman announced that Syrian air defenses downed an Israeli drone north of Ba'labakk, Damascus radio reported.

Pre-invasion Air Attack, Shelling -- On 4 June Israeli airplanes carried out nine air attacks on Beirut, Beirut radio reported. According to a Voice of Lebanon radio report, at least 250 people were killed and more than 200 injured when the Israelis attacked Palestinian positions in western Beirut and in the southern suburb of the city. An IDF spokesman said the intended targets for the air attack were a Fatah combat training school and an ammunition arsenal located in a sports stadium in Beirut.

According to subsequent Jerusalem radio reports, the terrorists fired on the Galilee panhandle and western Galilee with katyusha missiles and recoiless cannon. One Israeli was killed and three were wounded in the shelling and Israeli forces responded with heavy shelling on terrorist positions on the An-Nabatiyah plateau, the radio said.

On 5 June Israeli planes resumed air raids on southern Lebanon, Voice of Lebanon radio reported. The IDF spokesman announced that the Cabinet had instructed the IDF to continue the assault missions in view of the terrorist shelling in Galilee, Jerusalem radio said. According to a subsequent radio report, Israeli aircraft launched attacks on terrorist targets in the areas of Ad-Damur, Sidon, Tyre, Beaufort Castle and the Arnun plateau in southern Lebanon. Another Jerusalem radio report noted that the terrorists resumed shelling of the Galilee panhandle. The shelling continued early on 6 June, IDF radio noted, but there were no casualties. Jerusalem radio reported no further shelling the night of 7 June.

Reagan, Begin Exchanges -- President Reagan called on the Israeli prime minister to do what he could to prevent military measures that might expand the conflict, IDF radio reported. Prime Minister Begin responded that the IDF had been instructed to drive the terrorists northward so that all Galilee residents would be free from the continual threat to their lives, a GOVERNMENT PRESS OFFICE text of the message stated. Begin emphasized that Israel does not covet "one inch" of Lebanese territory but has the right to defend itself. He went on to request that Reagan take into consideration the special situation Israel has found itself in as a result of repeated terrorist aggression, which has been encouraged by the Soviet Union. Begin asserted that Israel aspires to sign a peace treaty with a free and independent Lebanon, which can preserve its territory integrity.

Israeli Justification -- Following the attack on the Israeli ambassador in London and in the wake of other cease-fire violations, the Israeli Cabinet ordered the IDF to attack terrorist targets in Beirut, Jerusalem radio reported on 4 June citing an IDF spokesman. In other radio reports, Prime Ministerial Adviser Uri Porat said the assassination attempt against the ambassador had put an end to Israel's "long restraint." He emphasized that despite repeated warnings, the terrorists continued to plant mines and bombs and to murder Israeli citizens while holding the "hostages" in the north under the threat of artillery fire. Porat said that had Israel continued to exercise restraint it would have meant that the PLO version of the cease-fire, which says that the agreement only applies to the northern border, was the acceptable version.

The war against the PLO is a war for peace since the PLO has become an obstacle on the road to peace, Foreign Minister Yitzhaq Shamir stated, according to IDF radio. Shamir said the annihilation of the PLO terrorists will also contribute to the welfare of the Arab inhabitants of Judaea, Samaria and the Gaza District and the chance of incorporating them in the peace process.

Reaction to Attack -- Egypt denounced the "flagrant aggression" against the sovereignty of Lebanon and demanded that Israel cease all military operations and withdraw from Lebanese territory, according to a presidential statement carried by Cairo radio. In the statement Egypt appealed to all peace-loving people to take a firm stand against this aggression, to shoulder their responsibility in removing its effects and to take the necessary measures to impose respect for the rule of law. It added that urgent instructions had been issued to Egypt's delegation to the United Nations to take part in the Security Council debate on the matter with a view to stopping the acts of aggression. An Egyptian Cabinet statement carried by Cairo radio condemned the Israeli aggression and said that under no circumstances did the attempt on the life of the Israeli ambassador in London justify the Israeli action. Foreign Ministry First Under Secretary Usamah al-Baz stated that Egypt is following with "extreme interest" developments in Lebanon and is making urgent contacts with all parties concerned in order to achieve a cease-fire and the withdrawal of Israeli troops, MENA reported.

Syrian President Hafiz al-Asad in a telephone conversation with PLO Executive Committee Chairman Yasir 'Arafat asserted that Syria will not allow anybody to liquidate the Palestinian Revolution and will stand alongside the Palestinians, Damascus television reported. In a conversation with Lebanese President Ilyas Sarkis, Al-Asad declared that Syria will also stand by Lebanon with all its resources, the television said. According to the Syrian paper ATH-THAWRAH cited by Damascus radio, the United States is directly responsible for encouraging Israel to continue its aggression and expansion and for protecting it from the sanctions provided by the UN Charter.

The Israeli attack is taking place as part of an extended plan to commit aggression against the Palestinians and to occupy parts of southern Lebanon, Yasir 'Arafat declared in a statement to the Saudi paper AR-RIYAD reported by SPA. According to Monte Carlo radio, the PFLP issued a statement saying that the cease-fire agreement has become "ineffective" as a result of the Israeli aggression. It said that the Palestinians will not stop just at immediately retaliating but will also have the right to continue to retaliate at the appropriate time and place. A PFLP official spokesman said the attack demonstrates the falseness of Secretary of State Alexander Haig's statement in which he alleged that the United States seeks a peaceful solution in Lebanon, SANA reported.

In a message to President Ronald Reagan and West European leaders, Saudi King Khalid ibn 'Abd al-'Aziz urged the world's leaders to shoulder their responsibilities, Riyadh radio reported. He called on the countries of the world to urgently intervene to stop the "massacres".

An official Iraqi spokesman called for a unified stand to confront the aggression, INA reported. The spokesman said the aggression is aimed at liquidating the Palestinian Resistance and at occupying Arab territory.

A Libyan Voice of Arab Homeland radio commentary asked why Syria had not yet entered the war while at the same time praising the Palestinian-Lebanese forces who have "regrettably been engaged on their own." The commentary went on to point out that Syria has a historic opportunity to liberate the Golan Heights and to regain dignity lost by the annexation of the Golan. While asserting that the Israelis are flying with impunity over Syrian missile sites in the Sannin mountains, the commentary said the political leadership in Damascus is dutybound to drop all Arab and international reservations because it has been proven that the United States and Israel are attempting to occupy the entire region.

An Amman radio commentary asked what Syria, as a member of the Steadfastness and Confrontation Front, is doing in Lebanon with its 40,000 soldiers, who sit "idly by" while hundreds of Lebanese and Palestinians are killed. The Jordanian paper AD-DUSTUR, cited by Amman radio, said that if the major powers do not intervene to stop the Israelis, the conflagration will spread everywhere.

In a message to Syrian President al-Asad carried by Tehran radio, Iranian President 'Ali Khamene'i declared that Iran has prepared part of its ground forces and armored units to be sent to fight against the Israelis at the earliest opportunity.

Iran-Iraq Conflict

Military Situation -- On 5 June Iraqi planes attacked vital installations in the Iranian town of Ilam and inflicted heavy losses, INA reported citing a military spokesman. The spokesman explained that the raid was in retaliation for Iranian shelling of installations and residential areas in Basrah.

According to an IRNA report, Iraqi fighters bombed a rally being held in Ilam to commemorate the 1963 Iranian uprising, killing at least 20 people and wounding more than 100 others. The report said the Iraqis bombed at least 10 points in the city, including residential areas.

Iranian Demands -- Declaring that Iran is only seeking its due rights in the war, Iranian President Khamene'i told a Friday prayers rally that Iran seeks $150 billion in war reparations and the trial of the Iraqi president, IRNA reported.

Peace Mission -- The Good Offices Committee met in Jidda on 5 June to consider fresh proposals to end the war, according to KUNA. INA subsequently reported that a delegation from the committee, led by Senegalese Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Moustapha Niasse, arrived in Baghdad for talks with Iraqi officials. It also noted that another delegation had been sent to Iran. Tehran radio reported that a delegation led by Guinea Foreign Affairs Minister Abdoulaye Toure arrived in Tehran and met with Iranian Foreign Ministry officials.

Iraq-Syria

Four Iraqi border guards were killed and another four wounded on 6 June when a vehicle they were riding in was fired on by Syrian "authorities" near an Iraqi police post, INA reported. It added that five other guards were killed during a similar incident the previous day.

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AFP: FOUR FRENCH DOCTORS REPORTEDLY CAPTURED

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[Text] Islamabad, 4 Jun (AFP) -- Four French doctors who disappeared from the Afghan rebel hospital in the Panjsher Valley were captured by Soviet-Afghan forces, informed sources confirmed here today.

The sources said an "unofficial Afghan figure" told the French Embassy in Kabul that the four doctors, of the humanitarian association International Medical Assistance (AMI), were being held.

The captured team included Doctor Laurence Lemonier who was in Afghanistan on his fourth secret humanitarian mission. The names of the other captured doctors were not given.

AMI officials contacted the International Red Cross which has recently been allowed to continue visiting Afghan prisons. The French Foreign Ministry is expected to call on the Red Cross for assistance in an inquiry into the doctor's disappearance.

The Soviet Embassy here had frequently expressed irritation concerning the role of doctors operating clandestinely in Afghanistan. Soviet officials said the doctors boosted Afghan rebel morale, and were an important source of information on the situation inside Afghanistan.

It is the first time doctors have been held, but observers recalled that two French journalists and a French tourist were earlier taken captive and released several months later after "confessing" on Kabul television.

AFGHAN MUJAHIDIN BLOW UP SOVIET PIPELINE

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[Mujahidin Blow Up Oil Pipeline"]

[Text] Peshawar, 31 May (PPI) -- The Afghan mujahidin in an attack carried out with the help of rocket launchers have blown up the main gas pipeline, supplying gas directly from the reservoirs of Mazar-e Sharif to Russia.

The offensive was carried out last week at Jerkdak, the Afghan area bordering Russia and from where the pipeline passes.

A spokesman of the Islamic Unity of Afghanistan mujahidin told PPI that the gas pipeline passes through Kalfar dry port area and across the Afghan border from western areas of the country.

The Russian forces suffered heavy material and manpower loss recently when their strong offensive against Afghan mujahidin in Marji area of Helmand Province was repulsed by the freedom-fighters.

According to a spokesman of the Islamic Unity of Afghanistan, the big joint offensive of the Russian and Karmal troops was bravely repulsed by mujahidin after a several days unabated fighting.

MINISTRY CONDEMNS ISRAELI ATTACKS ON LEBANON

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["Text" of 6 June statement issued by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs]

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Israel must be wiped out.

Following the victories of the combatants of Islam in Khuzestan and on the eve of the infidel Saddam's overthrow and the disgraceful failure of the joint strategy of America and Israel against the Islamic revolution of Iran, international imperialism and Zionism have started extensive attacks on south Lebanon and the residential areas of Beirut.

One of the important aims of these criminal measures, apart from the expansionist and invading policies of the Zionist regime, is undoubtedly to divert world attention from the crimes committed by the mercenary Iraqi Army against the oppressed Islamic nation in Ilam and Khuzestan and to prepare grounds for saving Saddam.

The Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran condemns the criminal actions of America and Israel against the people of Lebanon and the oppressed Muslim Palestinian nation. The Foreign Ministry of the Islamic Republic of Iran declares its full support for the just struggle of the Palestine Liberation Organization and the deprived people of Lebanon and warns all Muslim countries, particularly those in the Persian Gulf region that in alliance with America and Saddam have waged war against the Islamic revolution of Iran instead of struggling against Israel, that they must use all their human and material resources to eradicate this symbol of corruption from the region before Israel finds the opportunity to achieve its satanic goals.

Regarding the strategic treaty between America and Israel, we remind these countries that the claim of anti-Zionist struggle without full-scale confrontation with American imperialism is nothing more than a lie.

We declare to the combative Palestinian nation and Lebanon's deprived Muslims that the raging movement of the Islamic nation in the world will soon turn the satanic dreams of America and usurping Israel into disappointment and will foil their conspiracies.

KHAMENE'I OFFERS TROOPS TO SYRIA'S AL-ASAD

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[Message from President Seyyed 'Ali Khamene'i to Syrian President Hafiz al-Asad, sent 6 June -- read by announcer]

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Your Excellency Hafiz al-Asad, the president of the fraternal country of Syria:

I have received the painful news of the extensive attack on southern Lebanon by the occupier of Jerusalem. This brazen Zionist move undoubtedly heralds a new plot against the existence and respect of the world's Muslims. All indications point to the fact that the occupiers of the Holy Land intend to achieve their design of occupying southern Lebanon so as to step up their pressure on progressive Middle Eastern countries in association with others in the region dependent on America and to continue their disgraceful existence.

In response to such an attack it is essential to find answers to two important questions in these particular circumstances. First, which factors have given the Zionists the impudence to occupy yet another part of the Islamic homeland? Second, how should one confront this move?

The order to occupy a vast area of dear Lebanese territory, the increasing pressure on the town of Sidon and, above all, the bombardment of the Muslim and defenseless inhabitants of southern Lebanon and the PLO camps, undoubtedly emanate from the mysterious conference of imperialist leaders in France. World powers have constantly been seeking and continue to seek to commit aggression against Islamic lands. What is happening in Lebanon today, as well as yesterday's bombing of the defenseless citizens of Ilam, which claimed more than 50 dead and hundreds injured and the rolling of Khorramshahr and Abadan in blood and dust, are an example of the implementation of this evil intention.

What emboldens colonialist forces and their puppets to violate the sanctity of freedom lovers and the world's deprived nations is undoubtedly the long silence of the Islamic countries to aggressions similar to those committed by the regime occupying Jerusalem against the deprived Lebanese nation and by the hireling, imperialist-Zionist Baghdad regime against the Muslim and revolutionary, Iranian nation. For many years now Israel has been occupying a vast portion of Islamic land; for years now America and Europe have been supporting this monumental Israeli crime, and for years now imperialists and those associated with the Western bloc have been encouraging this crime in various ways.

It is not the first time that Middle Eastern nations have been asking: Why is it that the resources of the Islamic world are not employed to end the tragic scenes which take place daily, rendering the Palestinian people destitute and rolling southern Lebanon in blood and dust? However, this question arises now more seriously than ever before, and it would be better for the Zionists' concealed friends to appreciate this fact and take note of the firm determination that is behind this serious attitude. The time has come today to mobilize the human, propaganda, research, oolitical and economic resources of the Islamic world against the repeated aggressions committed against the sanctities of the oppressed.

Despite its involement in a war imposed on it for the same purpose, the Islamic Republic declares that it will devote its force, within its capabilities, to repulse the attack by the regime occupying Jerusalem and to southern Lebanon [as heard]. As a first step, we have prepared part of our ground forces and armoured forces so that they can be sent into battle against the Zionist enemy at the earliest opportunity. I hope that this move will earn the satisfaction of the most exalted God.

[Signed] Your brother, Seyyed 'Ali Khamene'i, president of the Islamic Republic of Iran

KHAMENE'I ASSAILS HOSTILITY OF GULF COUNTRIES

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[Text] Friday prayers were held today at Tehran University, and were led by President Khamene'i, who is also the Friday imam of Tehran. Hojjat ol-Eslam Khamene'i devoted the sermon to reviewing the country's current affairs and their reflection abroad and said:

[Begin Khamene'i recording] At last the war is drawing to a close. Of course, I should mention here that the creation of a poisonous atmosphere by our enemies, who want to accuse and condemn the aggressor and have Iran in mind, like inexperienced thieves made a mistake and did not realize that several of our cities, such as Qasr-e Shirin, Naftshahr and Mehran, and many of our villages are still under the heels of the usurpers of the infidel Baghdad regime.

However, they realized that the war will end with the victory of Islam and Iran; this applies both to America and the other big powers and to the dependent rulers in the region. Their reaction was only propaganda and rumor mongering at first. Even though they mentioned the news of Iran's victory and the recapture of Khorramshahr after several days, they mentioned it together with false news in order to neutralize its effect, such as the rumor of the purchase of arms from Israel, which is a big and crazy lie. Then they started making threats.

Here I have two things to say, one to the countries in the region and one to the big powers. I would like to say to the big powers that in their confrontation with our nation they have made a grave miscalculation and cannot do anything. They might make a mad move and bomb several cities, villages or desert areas but the big powers' incursion into this region will disgrace them further.

I would like to say to the countries in the region which oppose us that it would not be a good idea for them to try their chance here, because people in glass houses shouldn't throw stones. They are vulnerable and they should return to Islam and to the Koran. They should fight against the enemies of Islam and Iran and against their own enemies instead of fighting against Islam and Iran. They should go and fight against Israel, our forces will be with them. Of course, their fight against Iran is nothing more than an empty threat. We are telling them, as we have said many times before: We have no fight against you but if you intend to wage a war against us your fate will be that of Saddam and the shah. [end recording]

Further on in his sermon, the Friday imam of Tehran referred to the account opened by the Central Bank to provide interest-free loans to help people in reconstruction and to help the war victims. He said: People are giving sums of money to the bank as interest-free loans and the banks put these funds at the disposal of the people from the areas damaged by the imposed war in the form of housing loans. This is one of the best things done with the banks' initiative. I recommend that everybody make such a loan to the bank, in fact to the people.

Referring to the enemy's propaganda, he said: We are not warmongers and have a common demand with all the world's righteous people. Saddam is a war criminal and must be put on trial and punished and all the damage he has inflicted on the Islamic Republic of Iran must be compensated for.

He added: If the Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran remains indifferent to the loss of $150 billion inflicted on this nation then it will certainly mean that it has not carried out its duty.

Hojjat ol-Eslam Khamene'i then referred to the peace conditions and said: The conditions set by us are the same as those announced by us at the beginning of the war, when many kilometers of our territory were under enemy occupation, and they are: Saddam's punishment, the withdrawal of the aggressor from our territory, reparations and the repatriation of those who have been expelled. He added: The United Nations and the Islamic council recently said that they are going to resume peace activities. We will not say no to them but if they think this can make us igore the truth through the creation of a poisonous atmosphere and of political pressure they are mistaken.

The Friday imam of Tehran added: We do not want a thug like Saddam to blackmail the small countries in the Persian Gulf region. We do not want to see the big powers interfere in the affairs of our region. We will not allow them to do so.

In conclusion, Hojjat ol-Eslam Khamene'i referred to the mischievous acts of counter-revolutionary minigroups inside the country and said: As it is the minigroups' custom to create incidents when there is a great victory on the fronts which makes the people happy, now, after the reconquest of Khorramshahr, once again they think that through their mischief they can make people regret being present on the scene. They are filthy [word indistinct] who want to take revenge for the reconquest of Khorramshahr.

Finally, the Friday imam of Tehran, referring to the presence of 10,000 tribesmen of the Mobilisation at the Friday prayers, asked all the people to avoid petty differences and to continue preserving their unity and integrity.

Then he gave a sermon in Arabic for the benefit of the Muslim Arab brothers.

'AZIZI DENIES PLANS TO CHECK GULF SHIPPING

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[Text] Tehran, 6 Jun (IRNA) -- Iranian Deputy Foreign Minister Ahmad 'Azizi Saturday called on governments supporting Saddam to revise their policy and, instead of confronting the Islamic revolution, take steps to fight with the Zionist regime. He added that the Zionist regime was infamous for its false allegations and suppressions, of which airing the rumour that Iran was purchasing arms from this regime was a good example. Referring further to the conspiracies of the Zionist regime, 'Azizi said that the Zionist-sponsored mass media recently began another plot against the Islamic Republic by alleging that Iran's ambassador to Kuwait had warned the Kuwaiti Chamber of Commerce on the checking by the Iranian fleet of any commercial ships which did not use the name of the Persian Gulf.

Illustrating the Zionist regime's aggressive policies, 'Azizi cited the bombing of southern Lebanon under the pretext of the assassination of the Zionist ambassador to London by the Palestinians which had been categorically denied by the PLO. How could the attack on a hospital where 20 children were under intensive care, or the massacre of a number of students in southern Lebanon be justified as revenge for the blood of a single ambassador? 'Azizi argued. In the same way Saddam bombed the Iranian cities of Ilam, Abadan and Khorramshahr under the pretext of Iran having bombed Basrah in Iraq, he noted. Moreover, the Iraqi foreign minister boasted at the current Nonaligned Conference that although Iraq had lost a vast area of lands it occupied in Iran, it had killed thousands of Iranian forces, the deputy foreign minister remarked. Such a statement, he added, was made simultaneously with the Iraqi regime's voicing peace-seeking cries, alleging that it was after reaching a reasonable agreement through holding negotiations.

'Azizi stressed that while the Iraqi forces were continuing to usurp Iranian territory, the Iraqi foreign minister had confessed that his government had no political, economic or military anxiety.

GOVERNMENT WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN AFGHAN TALKS

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[Text] Tehran, 6 Jun (IRNA) -- Iran will never take part in Geneva talks on the Afghanistan problem, announced a Foreign Ministry spokesman. While stressing Iran's conditions for resolving the Afghanistan problem, he emphasized that Iran will do anything for the realisation of such goals. In conclusion, the Foreign Ministry official categorically denied all rumours spread by foreign imperialist news agencies on Iran's alleged participation in those talks as an observor or with any other status.

ARMED FORCES JOINT STAFF COMMUNIQUES 934-936

934: 4 Jun Report

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[Communique No 934 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In His exalted name. "While being a national mourning day for the oppressed people, 5 June is also a day of epics and rebirth of Islam and Muslims" -- Imam Khomeyni.

Our heroic combatants and our Islamic victorious forces continue with complete firmness to resist the infidels on all battlefronts and are creating brilliant victories.

Sporadic fighting and exchange of fire continued yesterday along Jerusalem Operation [bayt al-moqaddas] fronts, with our powerful and victorious forces closely observing the slightest moves made by the enemy on all fronts, smashing the Saddam forces' position and putting their equipment out of action. Our forces also maintained superiority and combat readiness and inflicted considerable losses on the enemy.

During an exchange of fire on the Abadan-Khorramshahr front, our naval and gendarmerie forces destroyed seven light- and heavy-weapon emplacements on the opposite bank of the Arvand Rud. They destroyed one command post and several Iraqi observation posts and, while preventing the deployment of Iraqi forces, killed or wounded a number of enemy troops.

Yesterday certain residential industrial districts in Abadan came under long-range enemy artillery fire, resulting in some damage. Moreover, an exchange of fire continued yesterday on the western fronts of the country. Following some heavy and intensive artillery fire by our ground forces on Iraqi positions in (Hajj Umran), 15 Iraqi troops were killed and a number of emplacements, 5 trucks and 5 Iraqi troops concentration sites were smashed. Two Iraqi tanks were put out of action.

On the Salehabad, Sumar, Gilan-e Gharb and Sar-e Pol-e Zahab fronts, our ground forces maintained their firepower superiority and destroyed three Iraqi 50-calibre heavy machineguns and several Iraqi trenches.

Yesterday, a number of planes of the Iraqi aggressive forces tried to violate our airspace in a number of western and southern border towns, but were repulsed by our ground fire.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of Islamic Republic of Iran

935: 5 Jun Report

LD051816 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 5 Jun 82

[Communique No 935 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In His exalted name. June 5th is the day of martyrdom and crusade, the day of the revival of dear Islam under the leadership of the struggling and committed clergy and the day of glad tidings of the liberation of the oppressed from the blood-sucking oppressors. World-devouring America has suffered irreparable blows from the bloody uprising of 5 June 1963 and its offspring, the revolution of 11 February 1979. Today, on the occasion of the glorification of that historical day, America has committed a new crime through its puppet agent, the mercenary Saddam. It has made the Muslim and struggling people of Ilam the target of aerial bombardment, shed the blood of many Ilami sisters and brothers, children and youth and wrecked parts of the residential areas of that city, including a mosque, a religious center, a school and about 20 houses.

The criminal Saddam, who is unable to fight the combatants of Islam face-to-face, contrary to all international regulations and on the orders of his masters who proclaim support for civil rights, today staged another show of American civil rights by dropping bombs on the defenseless civilians of Ilam. This horrific crime has brought more disgrace to his already disgraced regime. It will have no other result but to accumulate eternal curse and misery and a speedier downfall for his cruel regime.

The blood of the martyrs of Ilam and all the martyrs of the imposed war testifies to the justification of a nation which has been attacked by supercriminals and their puppets for defending Islam, the Islamic homeland, liberty and human integrity. But aggressive powers and the usurping Zionism, headed by the great Satan, the world-devouring America, should know that the heroic and blood-stained nation of Iran, which has given martyrs, will not succumb to any pressure.

The brave offspring of the Islamic nation will give a courageous reply on the battlefield to such dastardly acts. The pious people and those who fight for right, led by their great imam, the idol-crushing Khomeyni -- may his blissful life continue until the revolution of mahdi, may God speed his auspicious advent -- will continue their struggle to wipe out evil world blasphemy and to destroy oppressive powers and to raise the banner of Islam throughout the world.

According to reports, the right-seeking combatants of Islam continue their holy struggle against the enemies of Islam. They have dealt effective blows at the Saddamist aggressors on the southern and western fronts during the past 24 hours, a summary of which is brought to your attention:

In the areas covered by the Jerusalem Operation [bayt al-moqaddas], thanks to our firepower superiority, the enemy was not given any opportunity to move. Intensity of fire in the Shalamcheh and Kushk sectors was greater than in other areas.

In the Abadan sector our forces brought enemy positions under fire. They destroyed three trucks, a trench and a number of weapon emplacements on the other side of the Arvand Rud and killed a number of Iraqi personnel.

Yesterday, the Saddamist criminals destroyed a number of residential areas of Abadan with heavy-weapon fire, martyring or injuring several of our compatriots.

In the western operational sectors, thanks to our forces' fire on enemy positions in the Marivan sector, the movements of enemy columns were prevented and a number of their vehicles were destroyed. During a clash between the forces of Islam and Saddam's men in the (Shanehdari) sector, 16 Iraqis were killed and 8 were wounded and a military post in that sector was destroyed. In the Konjancham sector, thanks to our forces' artillery and mortar fire, an ammunition dump, a number of combat supply depots and a number of trenches were destroyed together with their personnel.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran

936: 6 Jun Report

LD061816 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 6 Jun 82

[Communique No 936 of the Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran]

[Text] In His exalted name. According to a report by the Air Force of the Islamic Republic of Iran, at 1100 today the quickflying heroes and the zealous and brave pilots of the Air Force of the Islamic Republic of Iran opened fire on two aircraft of the aggressive Iraqi enemy in the Al-Buq'ah and Al-Umayyah areas and downed them. At 1140 they bombed the Al-Buq'ah jetty, inflicting numerous losses, and hit and destroyed one vessel of the Ba'thist Iraqi mercenaries in the same area. Honor be to you, victorious and humanist pilots. The history of warfare will be proud of you and your values.

You, the foul Iraqi pilot, shame on you that you have recorded your name at the top of the black pages of the history of war by carrying out these inhuman and anti-Islamic acts by dropping bombs on innocent people and women and children in cities, hospitals, schools and mosques. Through these savage acts you want to compensate for your disgraceful defeats on the battlefronts in the course of battle.

Dear compatriots, the efforts and self-sacrifices of the other devotees of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran and the situation on the fronts of the imposed war in the past 24 hours are as follows:

Yesterday exchanges of fire continued on the southern fronts and the victorious forces of Islam guarded their positions and brought the positions and trenches of the Iraqi forces under fire, inflicting considerable losses and casualties upon them.

In the course of the exchanges of fire on the Abadan and Khorramshahr fronts, the heroes of the gendarmerie opened fire on the enemy positions and inflicted losses and casualties on them. On the Khorramshahr front, a number of the Saddamists were killed and five trenches and foxholes were destroyed.

Residential areas in the city of Abadan came under the enemy's long-range artillery fire yesterday.

Exchanges of artillery fire between our powerful forces and the Iraqi Ba'thist mercenaries continued sporadically on the western fronts. As a result of the powerful artillery fire of the Ground Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran all the movements and activities of the aggressive Iraqi forces were stopped, their supply routes were blocked and several supply points, trenches, weapons belonging to the Saddamists were destroyed.

The brave combatants of the irregular tribal warfare units and the heroes of the gendarmerie also bravely defended their positions and inflicted effective blows on the Iraqi forces.

On the Marivan front, as a result of the heavy fire of the ground forces' artillery, several enemy trenches, foxholes and ammunition dumps were set on fire and destroyed in the areas of (Harqineh) and Haftvan and over five of the enemy forces were killed.

[Signed] The Joint Staff of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran

GUARDS CORPS COMMUNIQUE ON 5 JUNE OPERATIONS

LD061850 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1630 GMT 6 Jun 82

[Communique issued by the Public Relations Office of the Central Headquarters of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps]

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. With greetings to the devotees and heroes on the battlefronts between Islam and blasphemy who, with their unity are going to rout the aggressive enemy, some of the operations carried out by the forces of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps are brought to the attention of the heroic and brave nation:

Following the savage crimes committed by the Iraqi Ba'thist-Zionist mercenaries and their bombing of residential areas in the city of Ilam, the devotees of the corps and the Mobilization of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps, with the coordination of artillery fire of the Army of the Islamic Republic of Iran, last night in a series of courageous guerrilla operations, were able to penetrate enemy positions in the Meymak area. More than 45 Saddamists were killed and a large number of trenches and foxholes of the aggressive forces were destroyed; together with their occupants. In the course of these operations, the Islamic corpsmen inflicted considerable damage on the military equipment of the Iraqi-Zionist Army, including the destruction of one of their tanks.

Yesterday the forces of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps, consisting of guardsmen and corps' Mobilization devotees, with the coordination of the self-sacrificing combatants of the Ground Forces aviation and the Gendarmerie of the Armed Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran, in a series of successful operations carried out in the area of (Rayen Bodal); in the vicintiy of (Takab-Bijar), carried out mopping-up operations in the important heights of (Sur Shat) against the mercenaries of the minigroups who are waging war against God. More than 40 of these assailants and also the commander of the counterrevolutionaries were killed.

In the course of these successful operations, the Islamic combatants, who are ready to give their lives, took a large number of the counterrevolutionary assailants prisoner. With divine help they accomplished the operations with complete success.

With hope for the final victory of the combatants of Islam.

[Signed] The Public Relations Office of the Central Headquarters of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps

RED ALERTS ANNOUNCED IN BUSHEHR PROVINCE

3 June Alert

GF031127 Bushehr Domestic Service in Persian 1117 GMT 3 Jun 82

[Text] This is Bushehr, Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Dear listeners: According to a report, red alert conditions are hereby announced for the entire province. We ask you, dear listeners, to observe all safety measures for the red alert condition. [sound of siren]

4 June Alert

GF0405237 Bushehr Domestic Service in Persian 0528 GMT 4 Jun 82

[Text] This is Bushehr, Voice of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Dear listeners: According to a report, red alert conditions are hereby announced for the entire area. We request you, dear listeners, to observe all safety measures for the red alert conditions. [sound of siren]

26 KILLED, 105 WOUNDED IN IRAQI BOMBING OF ILAM

LD051038 Tehran IRNA in English 0919 GMT 5 Jun 82

[Text] Ilam, 5 Jun (IRNA) -- Iraqi fighters, flying at low attitude, at 9.30 local time this morning bombed a demonstration in Ilam being held to commemorate the June 5, 1963 uprising. The attack martyred at least twenty and wounded more than 100 others.

The Iraqi fighters violated the airspace of Ilam city, western Iran, and savagely bombed at least ten points in the central parts of the city, including residential areas. Most of the martyrs are innocent children and women. Following the air raid the wounded were immediately taken to the local hospitals. Residential areas have been damaged in this savage attack.

Following the inhuman air raid on the Ilam demonstration today, Sunday was announced a public holiday and three days of public mourning were also declared in the city. Meanwhile, the latest reports indicated that casualty figures had reached 26 martyred and 105 wounded.

Musavi Message on Bombing

LD051240 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 5 Jun 82

[Message issued by Prime Minister Mir-Hoseyn Musavi on 5 June]

[Text] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Dear heroic Muslim nation of Iran and resisting and combatant fellow countrymen of Ilam:

At the dawn of the 19th bloody anniversary of the 5 June uprising and when the people throughout our country were getting ready to extol the memory of the martyrs who had fallen in blood and dust at the behest of the criminal United States and by the traitorous and mercenary shah, and when the aggressive and usurping Israel was subjecting the Muslim and deprived citizens of southern Lebanon and the camps of the Muslim, homeless and defenseless Palestinian people to heavy air bombardment, the regime of the criminal Saddam, at the behest of his masters and in emulation of such mercenary collaborators as the shah and the occupation regime in Jerusalem, committed a new crime by subjecting a number of the deprived and defenseless Muslims in Ilam to an air bombardment using MiG's and Mirage aircraft.

The masters and protectors of the mercenary Saddam, who have lost their credibility and prestige following our combatants' recent victories and their conquest of Khorramshahr and the defeat of the declining Ba'thist army, imagined that an attack on residential areas and the bombing of defenseless citizens could gain some honor and prestige for the ragtag and bobtail army of that falling regime.

This deed by the mercenaries of the 'Aflaqite Ba'thist regime ruling Baghdad is really an answer to those who babble about peace, reconciliation and a cease-fire and who close their eyes to the crimes perpetrated by such a blasphemous regime. These people either are unaware of the savage nature of that regime -- and we hope that the cry of those mothers who have lost their children and that the torn and pure bodies of the children and defenseless citizens will prove the depravity and the danger of such a regime, which resorts to such crimes following its resounding defeat on the battlefields -- or have views similar to the U.S.-backed Saddam. In the case of the latter, our reply would be the same as the one that we have given to the aggressors.

Brothers and sisters in Ilam and honorable sons of Islam: Rest assured that the sacrifices which you have made and are making along the path of God will make our nation more determined to deal a final, crushing blow to the aggressors and undoubtedly the day for seeking revenge from Iraq's criminal Ba'thist leaders is near. Following the conquest of Khorramshahr, which discredited the ramshackle and declining pro-U.S. Ba'thist regime and its backers in the eyes of the world and made nonsense of Saddam's phoney battle of Qadisiyah [early victory by Islam over the Persian Sassanian empire] such desperate efforts shall not revive the broken Saddam regime.

The Government of the Islamic Republic of Iran swears that it shall take its revenge for the blood of the oppressed orphans from the criminal U.S. and mercenary Iraqi regimes. Also, in honor of the blood of the dear Ilami martyrs, tomorrow will be a public holiday and will mark the beginning of a 3-day period of public mourning throughout the province. "And those who have perpetrated injustice shall verily know what fate awaits them." [Koranic verse]

[Signed] Mir-Hoseyn Musavi, prime minister of the Islamic Republic of Iran

Rafsanjani on Bombing

LD061202 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 6 Jun 82

[Excerpts] According to the Central News Unit, the Majlis held an open session today. During the session, which was chaired by Mr Hashemi-Rafsanjani, the Majlis speaker spoke on the new crimes by the 'Aflaqist Saddam and his mercenaries in bombarding Ilam.

[Begin recording] In the name of God, the compassionate, the merciful. Unfortunately, yesterday we witnessed another example of the cruelty of the Ba'thist, 'Aflaqist Saddam in Ilam. For whatever reason it was committed, this crime and the more horrific crime committed by Israel in southern Lebanon, killing or wounding more than 600 Palestinian refugees and Lebanese Shi'ites, are not accidental. It is a plot whose signs can be sought in the presence of the leader of the great Satan in Europe and the secret meetings of the heads of NATO countries.

In any case, we ask our combatants to keep cool and not to reply to such crimes in the same manner. The people of Iraq are our brothers, friends and future allies. If you wish to reply decisively, you should do so on the battlefronts against the bloodsucking Ba'thist Iraqi military. [end recording]

RALLY HELD TO COMMEMORATE 1963 UPRISING

LD051222 Tehran IRNA in English 1035 GMT 5 Jun 82

[Text] Tehran, 5 Jun (IRNA) -- A massive rally was held in Imam Khomeyni Square, southern Tehran, this morning to mark the anniversary of the June 5th, 1963, uprising against the former regime. On June 5, 1963, when the Iranian Muslims learned about the arrest of Imam Khomeyni by the former regime, massive protest demonstrations were held in the holy city of Qom, Tehran and other cities. Several thousands of people were martyred or wounded on that day.

In Tehran this morning hundreds of thousands of people from all walks of life, marching through various streets of the capital, gathered in Imam Khomeyni Square to commemorate the event and listen to the message of the imam. The marchers, who were carrying portraits of the leader of the revolution and founder of the Islamic Republic of Iran, Imam Khomeyni, President Khamene'i, Ayatollah Hoseyn 'Ali Montazeri, Majlis Speaker Hojjat ol-Eslam Hashemi-Rafsanjani and other figures, were chanting slogans in favour of the imam and the revolution and slogans in condemnation of Saddam. Families of the martyrs of the revolution and of the Iraqi-imposed war, tribes-men, representatives of many world liberation movements, the public Mobilisation and various other groups, who participated in this march, once again illustrated the strong unity among the people of the country.

In one of the main streets of Tehran, while the military band was playing revolutionary songs and people were chanting "Death to America," the marchers walked over the American flag, thus showing their hatred of U.S. imperialissm.

In Imam Khomeyni Square, where governmental, religious and military dignitaries were present, the message of the imam was read to the crowd by his son, Seyyed Ahmad. In his message Imam Khomeyni, referring to the commemoration of June 5th last year and this year, said that they differed because last year the country and the people had many problems. On the one hand, the nation was entangled with the Iraqi-imposed war and on the other was experiencing the treachery of some trouble-makers, saboteurs and corrupt elements as well as the terrorist monafeqin [hypocrities] faction which martyred a large number of beloved committed Muslims who were serving the Islamic Republic. However, God willing, the message continued, this year the courageous Iranian combatants, with their great self-sacrifice and under the blessings of God Almighty and the guidance of the twelfth imam, imam mahdi, and the all out support of the Iranian people, would triumph over the warmonger and were now taking the last steps.

Khomeyni Message

LD051540 Tehran Domestic Service in Persian 1030 GMT 5 Jun 82

[Message from Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeyni read by his son Ahmad at a 5 June rally held at Imam Khomeyni Square in Tehran to mark the anniversary of the 1963 uprising -- recorded]

[Excerpts] The situation in which we found ourselves on 5 June last year was quite different from that which exists this year. Last year our noble nation and country faced great difficulties. These included the imposed war, treason by certain seditious elements in the service of aliens, and sabotage activities carried out by the corrupt hypocrites and by other deviants and terrorist groups. All this led to the martyrdom if a large number of our dear ones [words indistinct] Islam and Islamic Republic. But, thank God, the anniversary of the 5 June uprising this year finds that our powerful, decicated and self-sacrificing combatants -- with the support of the master of the ages, peace be upon him, and of the great nation -- have triumphed over the warmongers.

Now we are taking the last steps. The criminal Saddamists are taking their last breaths. At the same time the corrupt organizations at home and the mercenary minigroups have been crushed by the guards, committees, police and the Mobilization forces, as well as by our dear nation's cooperation.

Last year we were about to witness a division between the Guards Corps -- these committed and selfless youths -- and the dedicated and dear personnel of the armed forces, whose dedication we have all witnessed on the war fronts. The traitors and the associates of the United States tried to bring about this division through multifaceted activities, satanic tricks and the use of criminal terrorists. God knows to where our dear country would have been led had this plot been successful. What would have been the fate of Islam and our noble nation?

Through the Almighty's blessing and the efforts rendered by the Islamic Consultative Assembly and with the support of the noble nation, we are celebrating the 5 June anniversary at a time when the nests of corruption and treason and the American criminals have been removed from the scene and gone to the [word indistinct] cemetery. Today, thank God, the forces of Islam are enjoying a degree of unity and solidarity that has brought great fear to the hearts of our filthy enemies. In spite of and contrary to the false propaganda disseminated by our enemies' mass media, there is unprecedented unity and solidarity among our three powers and our people from all walks of life.

Let our defeated enemies and the isolated malevolents whose hands have been cut from [word indistinct] remain happy with their false propaganda and childish and wishful thinking that Iran is suffering from a power struggle, that the clergymen are fighting among themselves for power and that Iran in the very near future [words indistinct] face chaos and be transformed to a secular and democratic republic. Those who assert this must know that they will be taking these golden wishes to their graves. Thank God, our dear Iran has reached the stage in which unity, brotherhood and dedication exist among all groups and organs. Iran has reached a stage of stability which will not suffer from the death of its personalities, no matter who.

At a time that the Islamic Republic is inviting Muslims throughout the world to unify, to protect Islamic territory and the holy shrines, a proposal for a jihad to suppress our call and to oppose this invitation is being launched from the center of the revelation [Mecca]. This initiative serves the interests of the enemies of Islam, the United States and Israel, which are trying to capture Islamic territories from the Euphrates right to the Nile in order to dominate the holy shrines.

Once again the United States is threatening Iran. The United States has not yet realized that a country which rose to cut off American hands with martyrdom as its main motivation and which is ready to sacrifice itself for a jihad for the sake of the Almighty has no fear of such threats.

If the Muslims of the world awaken and shake the hands of unity and devotion, no power could dare to threaten them. Iranian officials have invited them for unity and brotherhood at any time. It is hoped that they will be awakened and will not sacrifice their personal and Islamic honor for the sake of the satanical powers. It is hoped that instead of sacrificing themselves for Saddam 'Aflaqi [reference to Michel 'Aflaq, cofounder of the Ba'th Party] and his masters, they will shake the hands of brotherhood with the Islamic Republic of Iran, a country which is willing to support them and to rescue them.

Otherwise, the great nation of Iran and its mighty armed forces will not consider itself responsible before God Almighty and the Islamic nations for anything that may happen as a result of actions undertaken by those who oppose Iran. Iran cannot remain indifferent toward events which could threaten Islam or the Islamic countries, especially our movements and the holy shrines. Iran, like the rest of the Muslim nations of the world, feels responsible before God Almighty for the problems and dangers developing against Islam.

Today, the most dangerous threats are the Camp David and Fahd plans, which would (?recognize) Israel and its crimes. All of us, especially the Government of Saudi Arabia, are responsible before Islam and the holy Koran and to future generations.

I fear, God forbid, that one day the Muslim nations and their governments will be awakened only to see that with the help of the criminal U.S. hand, Israel has achieved its criminal and oppressive goals. That day Muslims will not be able to do anything. I consider support for the proposed plan for the independence and recognition of Israel as a tragedy for the Muslims of the world and as suicide for Islamic governments. I consider opposition to this plan as a great religious task.

I take refuge with God Almighty for these designs drawn up by the [words indistinct] Muslims for Islam.

BOMB EXPLODES IN QOM TRAIN STATION 23 MAY

GF061132 Tehran JOMHURI-YE ESLAMI in Persian 24 May 82 p 2

[Text of communique issued by Railroads Department of the Islamic Republic of Iran on 24 May]

[Text] At a time when every second we witness remarkable victories by the Islamic armed forces on the fronts and our nation is selflessly involved in trying to expel the forces of wrong from our soil, the despicable internal agents of the criminal United States have, as usual, shown their frustration at the disgraceful defeat by planting bombs. They have committed another dastardly crime by exploding another sonic [sowti] bomb at the Qom railroad.

In this explosion, which took place yesterday (Sunday) at 1345, one person was injured and a great deal of damage was caused to the railroad station. While condemning this atrocity, the Railroads Department of the Islamic Republic of Iran announced that following the explosion an investigation was conducted by the brother guards, the results of which will be made known to the public later.

ETTELA'AT: 50 'HYPOCRITES' ARRESTED, KILLED

GF061219 Tehran ETTELA'AT in Persian 24 May 82 p 3

[Text of announcement by Islamic revolution prosecutor's office -- date not given]

[Text] In the name of the crusher of oppressors. Coinciding with the scintillating victories of our combatants in the Jerusalem Operation and the consecutive setbacks to the Ba'thist mercenaries, the noble and selfless brothers of the task force of the Islamic revolution prosecutor's office and the Islamic Revolution Committee have been successful in occupying some nests of corruption of the hypocrites, those supporters of the United States, in a series of coordinated and extended operations. This dealt a lethal blow to the tottering form of these blindhearted people.

During these operations, our brothers were successful in arresting or killing 50 of the members and leaders of various installations of this organization after an exchange of fire. The agents responsible for the assassination of the commando brothers Shahrbani, the martyr Hojjat ol-Eslam Hoseyni Khorasan and our pregnant Hezbollahi sister [not further identified] were among those arrested or killed.

The names of some of those killed are as follows:

1. Javad Faze Moslehati, of the central organization and in charge of all training operations of the hypocrites.
2. Mehri Khanbani, wife of the above and member of the hypocrites organization.

3. Behruz Asadollahzadeh, of the central organization in charge of preliminary operations and explosions for the hypocrites organization.
4. Zahra Omranian, assistant in charge of operations of the section for the forgery of documents of the organization.
5. Fa'ezeh Bahari, wife of 'Ali Khoda'i Sefat.
6. Zahra Tabataba'i, member of the organization and in charge of training girls.
7. Bahram Malek Qasemi, husband of Zahra Tabataba'i.
8. Fatemeh 'Abdol Hasani, one of those in charge of eastern Mahallat.
9. Hoseyn Kalkattehchi, one of those in charge of eastern Mahallat.
10. Hoseyn Zandisha, involved in military preparations.
11. 'Alibaseri, member of the organization.
12. 'Abdol Mehdi Akbari, candidate of the hypocrites organization in Mahallat.

ASHRAF DEHQAN LEADERS REPORTED KILLED IN NORTH

GF061258 Tehran ETTELA'AT in Persian 29 May 82 p 16

[Communique issued by the Public Relations Office of the Central Headquarters of the Islamic Revolution Guards Corps -- date not given]

[Text] In the name of God, the merciful, the compassionate. In the name of God, the crusher of tyrants. Combatant and crusading nation of Islam:

At the same time as the victory of the brave youths of Islam over the Saddamist heathenism was taking place, a group of the central command and high-ranking officials of the U.S.-puppet Cherikha-ye Feda'i-ye Khalq, Ashraf Dehqan group, fell into the angry hands of God with the assistance of the 36-million-strong nation and the vigilance of your guard children. Following the grave blows dealt by the children of Islam in October 1981 in Tehran and Bandar-e 'Abbas and the subsequent dispersion of the U.S.-puppet Ashraf Dehqan group, a number of these elements fled to the northern forests, to continue their criminal acts.

Following the activities of the brother guards in this area, the main leaders of this movement, together with a number of the elements of the minigroup, were annihilated in these forests. They are:

1. Mohammad Hormatipu, alias Mas'ud, member of the central committee and in charge of the northern group.
2. Jalil Varza, member of the central committee of the Jangal group.
3. 'Abdolrahim Saburi, alias Behruz, member of the Central Committee.

A number of the filthy elements of this group, including Mehdi Amirian and nine others, were arrested in Tabriz, and all their financial, material and military facilities, including some weapons and interorganizational documents, were captured. Supporters of the group in Akharan and Bandar-e 'Abbas were also arrested and handed over to judicial authorities.

The interorganizational documents captured from the Ashraf Dehqan group indicate that the minigroup is on the verge of complete destruction. All supporters of this minigroup are hereby warned to surrender themselves to the Islamic Revolution Guard Corps, before they fall in the powerful claws of Islam, in order to obtain the amnesty of Islam and the Islamic Republic.